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At the beginning of the week prices were generally unchanged to higher in all reported areas. During the week prices were unchanged throughout the country. The trade sentiment was steady. Retail and food service demand was moderate to good with the best interest coming from planned or ongoing feature activity. Supplies were adequate to at times close. Nest breaking stock prices were higher at the beginning of the week and unchanged during the period. Most breakers were satisfied with existing inventories and were not seeking extra heavy nest runs. Schedules were full time. Trade sentiment was steady. Light type hens were generally sufficient for trade needs.

**PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.**

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
<b>NORTHEAST CITIES</b>			
Boston (Brown)	106-108	95-97	72-74
New York	72-74	69-72	56-59
Philadelphia	67.5-72	65.5-70	53-56
<b>SOUTHERN CITIES</b>			
Atlanta (1) (2)	61-62	59.5-61	49-50
Jackson (1)	71-74	68-69	58-59
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	72-86	70-84	56-70
<b>MIDWEST CITIES</b>			
Chicago	61-66	60-65	48-53
Detroit (2)	58-61	57-60	44-47
Major Ohio Cities (2)	59-64	58-62	45-52
Major Wisconsin Cities	62-69	60-67	48-55
<b>WESTERN CITIES</b>			
Houston (1)	80-82	78-79	63-64
California(Grade AA)(1)(3)	95	87	79

(1) - Prices reported weekly  
(2) - Delivered Warehouse  
(3) - Reported Invoice prices

**SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA** FOR WEEK ENDING 29-Oct-99  
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	68.69	66.32	54.21
SOUTHERN	61.57	59.67	49.86
MIDWEST	56.35	55.04	44.15
WESTERN	80.76	75.15	65.65
TWELVE METRO AREAS	69.53	66.25	55.59

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	11-02-99	10-26-99	11-03-98
Large	41-43	34-36	53-55
Medium	30-32	25-27	42-44

**WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM** Nov. 01, 1999  
STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/  
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
	NORTHEAST	CENT	CENT	ATL	PACIFIC	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	8.2	12.2	6.0	15.0	9.3 50.7
	Change	-0.7	3.1	-0.1	3.0	-0.2 11%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	26.4	24.7	9.6	28.0	19.4 108.1
	Change	3.0	5.5	0.7	9.1	3.9 26%
Large	Curr Wk	47.6	62.9	52.3	75.7	84.0 322.5
	Change	15.0	6.8	7.2	12.4	15.6 21%
Medium	Curr Wk	13.0	31.9	14.0	21.7	20.5 101.1
	Change	-1.4	4.7	1.3	4.9	6.1 18%
Small	Curr Wk	5.2	5.6	4.3	8.2	4.0 27.3
	Change	1.5	0.9	2.5	2.8	0.3 42%
Misc	Curr Wk	5.4	19.6	9.6	9.4	5.2 49.2
	Change	-1.1	-3.3	0.7	-3.6	0.4 -12%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	41.6	64.6	12.9	20.7	48.3 188.1
	Change	5.0	-3.3	-2.4	-1.0	1.8 0%
Total	Curr Wk	147.4	221.5	108.7	178.7	190.7 847.0
Percent	Change	17%	7%	10%	18%	17% 14%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	847.0	14%	165
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	451.7	1%	38
Total Shell Egg	1298.7	9%	203

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 165 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

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No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

WEEK ENDING 30-OCT-99

	(LBS IN THOUSANDS)		(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)			
	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED.
CW	1,147,221	26,803	12,062	6,307	2,298	3,744
PW	1,215,317*	27,579*	12,099*	6,613*	2,655*	3,962*
LY	1,105,485	27,022	9,716	5,359	2,055	2,927
% PW	-6	-3	0	-5	-13	-6
% LY	4	-1	24	18	12	28
1999	48,030,183	1,114,204	460,109	250,864	111,055	152,084
1998	45,545,130	1,040,634	449,722	239,421	109,471	146,019
<b>AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -</b>						
	<b>CURRENT</b>	<b>PREVIOUS</b>	<b>LAST</b>			
	<b>WEEK</b>	<b>WEEK</b>	<b>YEAR</b>			
	42.64	41.35	40.73			

\* PREVIOUS WEEK REVISED, TO DATE TOTALS REFLECT THESE REVISIONS

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT** FOR W/E 30-OCT-99  
(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
N. ATLANTIC	243.9	1	3
E.N. CENTRAL	482.1	0	9
W.N. CENTRAL	192.8	-1	6
S. ATLANTIC	189.6	-6	-18
S. CENTRAL	75.0	3	-5
WEST	203.4	-6	-8
TOTAL	1,386.8	-2	0
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		91	91

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 15 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 15 Selected States	
	OCT 23	OCT 30 Thousand	OCT 23	OCT 30
AL	25,032	25,098	19,654	17,812
AR	27,775	26,999	*22,842	22,048
DE	*4,180	4,559	*5,206	5,015
FL	2,705	2,847	2,408	2,110
GA	27,535	29,706	*24,952	24,336
MD	*8,022	8,752	*4,930	5,231
MS	16,046	15,592	14,288	13,731
NC	16,345	17,504	12,881	12,700
PA	3,234	3,235	2,640	2,456
SC	4,765	4,878	4,069	3,563
TX	12,328	12,918	*10,663	10,657
VA	6,028	5,382	*4,400	4,416
CA, TN, & WV	9,641	10,639	9,600	9,391
15 State Total	*163,636	168,109	*138,533	133,466
Previous Year	164,280	172,049	137,998	135,661
Pct. of Prev.	100	98	100	98

\*REVISED

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 11-Dec-99 IS ESTIMATED AT 143.8 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 143.2 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 144.5 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 150.3 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 60.85 CENTS PER POUND.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES-** WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES  
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 10/28/99-11/03/99

	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	50.58	50.00	47.40	49.72	53.98	—	64.00
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00
GNR W 3	43.00	44.00	39.00	41.00	39.17	—	11.00
GNR W 4	—	—	—	—	37.00	39.50	1.00
GL W XL	52.00	57.00	56.00	57.57	53.87	—	15.75
GL W LG	—	56.00	54.00	56.80	52.00	—	15.00
GL W MD	—	46.00	34.67	41.33	40.36	35.50	17.25
GL W SM	—	—	20.67	22.83	—	—	3.00
NRBS - 50	—	—	41.50	42.50	—	—	1.50
NRBS - 48	—	—	40.00	41.00	40.84	42.25	24.50

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS** W/E 30-OCT-99

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW THOUSANDS	PERCENT CHG PW	LY
ATLANTA	29.5	30.5	-3	0
BOSTON	4.3	4.6	-7	-62
CHICAGO	40.3	50.3	-20	-15
DETROIT	28.0	25.0	12	1
KANSAS CITY	0.1	0.1	0	0
LOS ANGELES	89.0	99.9	-11	5
NEW ORLEANS	9.0	10.0	-10	-40
NEW YORK	35.6	36.9	-4	-22
ST. LOUIS	15.4	15.2	1	3
SAN FRANCISCO	18.7	18.8	-1	-4
TOTAL	269.9	291.3	-7	-9
4 WK MVG AVG	288.0			

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED** Week Ending 23-OCT-99

	FRYER- ROASTERS	YOUNG TURKEYS	OLD BANDED	TOTAL
	THOUSANDS			
HEAD	0	5,378	35	5,413
AVGWT	0.00	25.40	28.17	25.42
LAST WEEK	0	4,756	77	4,833
SAME WEEK YR AGO	0	5,014	40	5,054
AVGWT	0.00	23.34(A)	28.00	23.38
TO-DATE/1999	55	202,733(A)	1,554	204,342
TO-DATE/1998	72	211,792(A)	1,623	213,487

(A) Includes 635,000 young banded breeders in 1999 and 1,002,000 in 1998.

**NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS**BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 23-OCT-99  
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

---YOUNG TURKEYS---			FRYER	OLD	TOTAL	TKY
THOUSAND	PW	AVG	RSTR	BAND	HEAD	AVG
HEAD	% CHG	WT	---THOUSAND HEAD---			
						WT
NEAST	1,355	53	21.89	NONE	NONE	1,355 21.90
SATL	719	-1	27.90	(A)	(A)	738 27.90
N CENT	2,603	20	28.02	(A)	(A)	2,615 28.00
S CENT	332	-31	16.71	NONE	NONE	332 16.71
WEST	369	-27	22.78	(A)	(A)	373 22.94
U.S.TOTAL	5,378(B)	12	25.40	0	35	5,413 25.42
TO DATE						
1999	202,733(B)			55	1,554	204,342
TO DATE						
1998	211,792(B)			72	1,623	213,487

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: for the week 9,000 for the year 635,000; last year to date 1,002,000.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

WEEK ENDING 30-Oct-99 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	152,012 (A)	2,024	1,581	3,605	446
AVGWT	4.97	3.40	7.93	5.38	6.76
LAST WEEK	154,030	1,952	1,612	3,564	395
YR AGO	151,795	1,826	1,215	3,041	436
AVGWT	4.98	3.36	7.62	5.06	6.65
TO-DATE/1999	6,528,907	89,552	60,983	150,535	18,996
TO-DATE/1998	6,286,501	87,764	54,350	142,114	19,360

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 148.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 153.9 million head or 5.4 million head more than or 104 percent of estimated fryers available.

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 06-Nov-99

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK 11/06/99(1)	PREVIOUS WEEK 10/30/99
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
BRO-FRY	154,965(2)	154,210
LT HENS	1,741	2,008
HVY HENS	1,457	1,635
CHECK TOTAL	158,163	157,853

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 06-Nov-99 is 148.3 million head compared to 153.6 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 156.8 million head or 8.5 million more than estimated available. For week of 13-Nov-99 the estimated available is 144.2 million head.

**ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.**

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
SEPTEMBER 25	157.8	153.2	103	5.04
OCTOBER 2	155.8	151.8	103	4.94
9	154.9	149.7	103	5.06
16	155.2	148.5	105	5.08
23	155.9	148.3	105	5.06
30	153.9	148.5	104	4.97
YEAR TO DATE	6,609.8	6,538.5	101	
NOVEMBER 6		148.3		
13		144.2		

**12-CITY COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS**

	Change from		
1-Nov-99	25-Oct-99	25-Oct-99	02-Nov-98
58.81	1.46	57.35	64.18
NUMBER OF LOADS	657		

MONTHLY 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE FOR R.T.C. BROILER/FRYERS

MONTH	WEIGHTED AVERAGE	LOADS
OCTOBER	54.87	2,796.20

**READY-TO-COOK POULTRY BROILER/FRYERS**

FINAL REPORT OF PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR TRUCKLOT SALES OF READY-TO-COOK ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED B/F TO BE DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS WEEK OF

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS	
Chicago	51.00-53.00	53.04	47	55.28	77	
Los Angeles	64.00	62.46	71	61.70	160	
New York	52.00-54.00	52.75	28	58.20	63	

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS,** FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	75-84	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	75-79	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	75-80	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	69-76	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	69-74	73	73.00	40
WESTERN REGION	69-75	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS**

SELECTED STORAGE CENTERS

(INCLUDES GOVERNMENT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 1-Nov-99	3,633	161,851	82,865
AM 1-Oct-99	4,146	183,153	95,290
CHG	-513	-21,302	-12,425
PCT CHG	-12	-12	-13

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of September 31, 1999 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on November 1, 1999 are:

FROZEN EGGS	7 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	4.99 PCT
TURKS	589 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5.02 PCT
POP	751 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	4.98 PCT

**HEN MARKETS**

Cents Per Pound, Generally for slaughter the following week.

	HEAVY TYPE		
11/01/99	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
Southeast Heavy	6-17(1)	8-14.5	11.51
Southeast Heavy	TFEWR(2)		
South Central Heavy	10-19.5(1)	11-13	13.35
10/29/99	LIGHT TYPE		
Eastern Light	0-0(1)		
Eastern Light	TFEWR(2)		
So. Central Light	TFEWR(2)		
No. Central Light	TFEWR(1)		
No. Central Light	0-.5(2)		

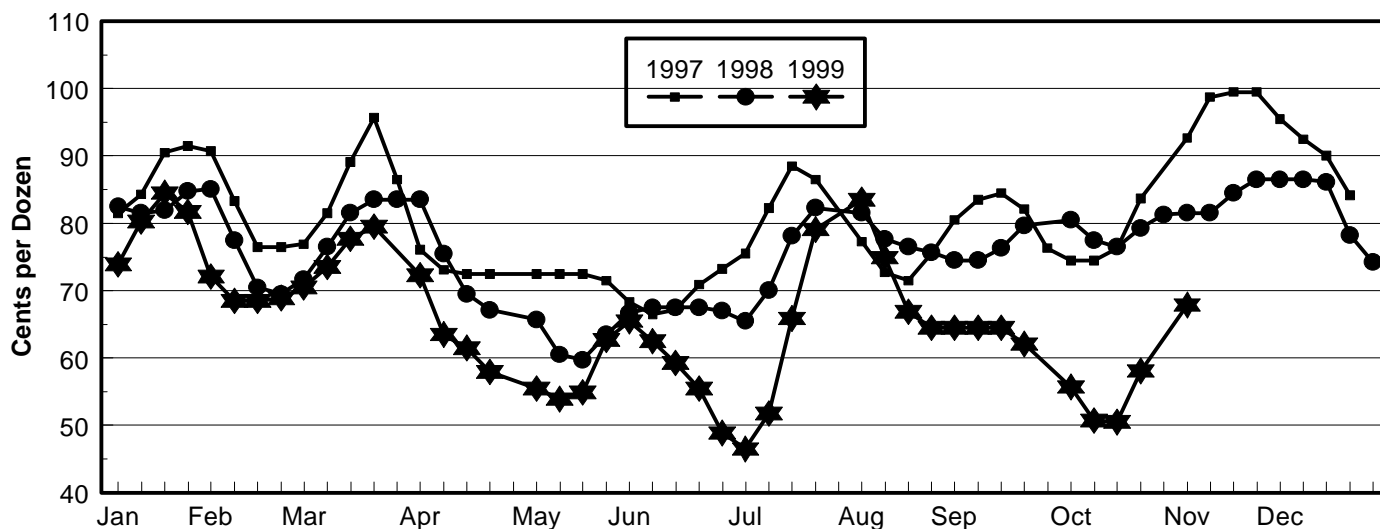
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(2) At Farm Producer Loading

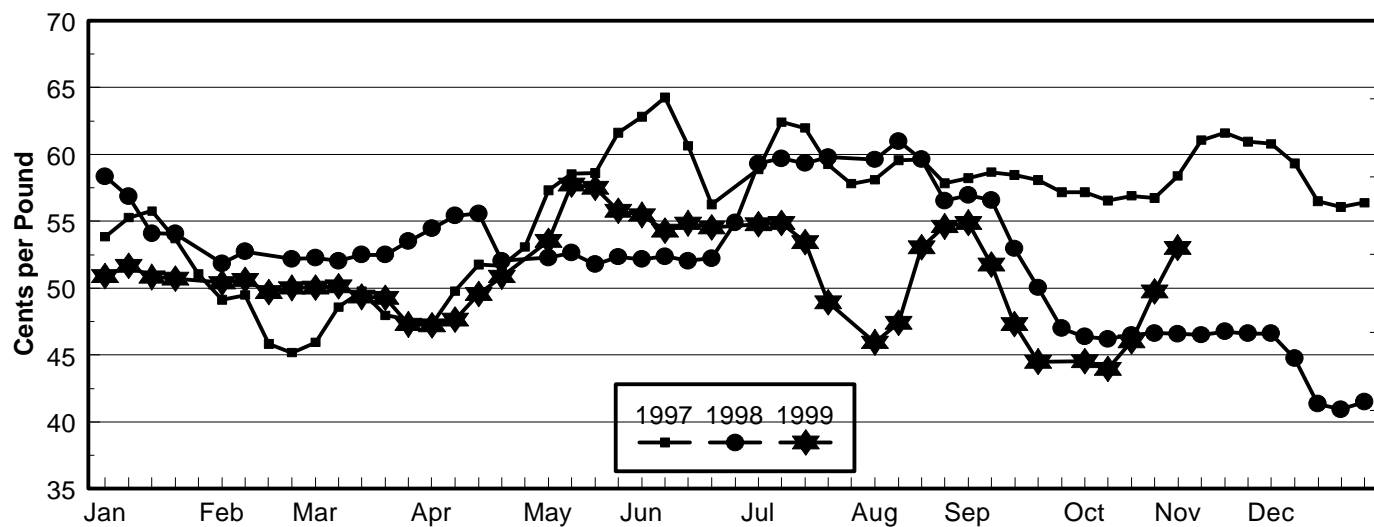
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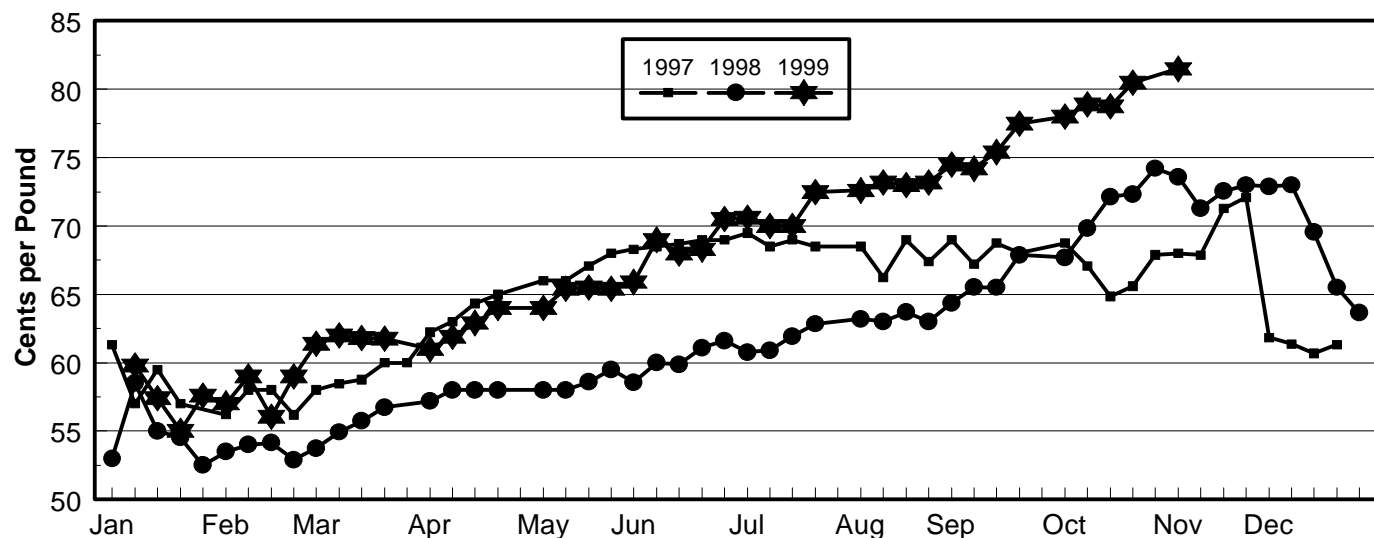
New York Large Egg Weekly Average Price, 1997, 1998, 1999



Chicago Broiler/Fryer Final Weighted Average Prices, US Grade A, 1997, 1998, 1999



Eastern Region Weekly Average Prices for 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys, 1997, 1998, 1999



Note: Some weeks' averages are based on offers only.